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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH: Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT: Monthly Report--Gulf Bureau--February 1986

I. OPERATIONS

A. Editorial/Monitorial

1. Following a month-long open speaker watch on Aden radio and expanded bureau coverage of Yemen media as a result of the 13 January power struggle and change in party and government leadership in the PDRY, on 13 February Gulf Bureau stood down from the watch and reverted to normal coverage and operating hours. The bureau is continuing to closely monitor developments in the PDRY and checking all known or purported Aden radio frequencies. Aden radio is now broadcasting on a regular schedule, following a pattern virtually identical to that prior to 13 January. However, Aden VOP in Arabic, which was carried at 1820 GMT daily prior to 13 January, has not been aired since 12 January.

2. On the morning of 10 February Tehran IRNA in English, monitored by London Bureau, and Tehran Domestic Service in Persian, monitored by Gulf Bureau both announced the launching of a new offensive (Val-Fajr-8) against Iraq in the Faw region. On 25 February a second offensive (Val-Fajr-9) was announced. Gulf has filed numerous FYI's and announcements on the fighting, as well as related reports on developments in these latest offensives. Various Iranian regional radios have been on open speaker watch, with Ahvaz providing a number of unique, unscheduled appeals in Arabic to Iraqi soldiers to surrender, as well as its own reports from the battlefronts. Iranian television has been received on several occasions since the offensive began, with some scenes of the battle areas videotaped.

B. Special Services

1. At the request of Liaison & Requirements Branch, several hours of recordings of newscasts and commentaries monitored from Aden and Sanaa radios were prepared on cassette tapes and mailed to them.

2. On 27 February, at the request of MOD, the bureau forwarded to headquarters via commercial courier a videotape of the 25 February 1600 GMT newscast of Tehran Television Service in Persian, which contained several filmed reports on the latest war operations.

C. Technical

A television antenna study was carried out by the Bureau engineer with a view to possible replacement of the all-band antenna with antennas designed for specific bands. Hi-band VHF and lo-band UHF antennas were used in the experiment. The new antennas did little to increase monitorability but provided clearer video and crisper audio from stations received on the all-band antenna. The new antennas also made it possible to receive Baghdad at times of day when it had not been possible before by eliminating cochannel interference from UAE. It has been decided to install a stacked array of hi-band VHF and lo-band UHF antennas with a single rotator for the Persian section and a hi-band VHF antenna with rotator for the Arabic section. These will replace the bureau's all-band antenna and shared use of the house antenna.

II. ADMINISTRATIONPersonnel

1. [] wife of Arabic Section chief [] gave birth on 6 February to a baby girl, their second child.
2. Arabic monitor [] and Persian monitor [] received PSI's on 2 February.
3. Arabic/Kurdish monitor [] resigned effective 1 March. With his resignation, Gulf Bureau loses its Kurdish monitoring capability.

III. VISITSTo the Bureau

1. [] Headquarters safety officer, 20 February, for an inspection of the bureau and to assist the bureau engineer with work on the fire alarm system.
2. Alfred Stettner, DOD telecommunications analyst, 24 February, for a briefing on bureau operations and discussion of requirements.

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Chief, Gulf Bureau

ATT: Production Report

GULF BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1986

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH	:	358,720
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH	:	97,800
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH	:	881

	BROAD CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: (MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	15,969	13,740	184.5

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

AFGHANISTAN

KABUL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE	
IN ARABIC	-0-
KABUL IN ENGLISH TO	
SOUTH ASIA	280

BAHRAIN

MANAMA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARABIC	-0-
MANAMA DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN ENGLISH	-0-
MANAMA TELEVISION SERVICE	
IN ARABIC	-0-
MANAMA WAKH IN	
ARABIC	16,500
MANAMA WAKH IN	
ENGLISH	10,020
MANAMA AKHBAR AL-KHALIJ	
IN ARABIC	2,370
MANAMA AL-ADWA' IN	
ARABIC	-0-
MANAMA AL-MAWAQIF	
IN ARABIC	-0-
MANAMA SADA AL-USBU'	
IN ARABIC	-0-
MANAMA GULF DAILY NEWS	
IN ENGLISH	1,390
MANAMA GULF MIRROR IN	
ENGLISH	-0-

CLANDESTINE

(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF AFGHANISTAN	
IN DARI	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF AFGHANISTAN	
IN PASHTO	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF AL-AHVAZ REVOLUTION IN ARABIC	-0-

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(CLANDESTINE) FREE VOICE OF IRAN	
IN PERSIAN	890
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF MOJAHED	
IN PERSIAN	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO IRAN IN	
PERSIAN	2,240
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF THE	
LIBERATION OF IRAN IN PERSIAN	3,210

IRAN

TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	10,380	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	250	
TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN RUSSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN TURKISH	-0-	
MASHHAD INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN DARI	-0-	
MASHHAD INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PASHTO	-0-	
TABRIZ INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN AZERI	1,270	
TEHRAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	34,450	
TEHRAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN SURANI KURDISH	-0-	
TEHRAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN BAH DINANI KURDISH	-0-	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	
AHVAZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	3,140	
BAKHTARAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
BANDAR 'ABBAS DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	2,670	
BUSHEHR DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	1,160	
ESFAHAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
MASHHAD DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
SHIRAZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	60	
TABRIZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARMENIAN	-0-	
TABRIZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN AZERI	-0-	
TABRIZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
ZAHEDAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN IRNA IN		
ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN AL-SHAHID		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN KEYHAN AL-'ARABI		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN KAYHAN INTERNATIONAL		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	

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TEHRAN ETTELA'AT IN		-0-
PERSIAN		
TEHRAN JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI		4,370
IN PERSIAN		
TEHRAN KEYHAN IN		11,730
PERSIAN		
TEHRAN KEYHAN HAVA'I		-0-
IN PERSIAN		

IRAQ

BAGHDAD TELEVISION SERVICE	
IN PERSIAN	1,090
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN ARABIC	-0-
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN SURANI KURDISH	-0-

KUWAIT

KUWAIT AL-ANBA'		7,940
IN ARABIC		
KUWAIT AL-QABAS		11,900
IN ARABIC		
KUWAIT AL-RA'Y AL-'AMM		2,060
IN ARABIC		
KUWAIT AL-SIYASAH IN		9,920
ARABIC		
KUWAIT AL-WATAN		5,160
IN ARABIC		
KUWAIT ARAB TIMES IN		5,430
ENGLISH		

OMAN

MUSCAT DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	1,460	
SALALAH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	2,020	
MUSCAT 'UMAN IN		170
ARABIC		
MUSCAT 'UMMAN AL-USBU'I		-0-
IN ARABIC		
MUSCAT QNA IN	170	
ARABIC		

PAKISTAN

ISLAMABAD THE MUSLIM		4,240
IN ENGLISH		
KARACHI DAWN		980
IN ENGLISH		
KARACHI JASARAT IN		-0-
URDU		
KARACHI MASHRIQ IN		2,130
URDU		

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KARACHI NAWA-E WAQT		
IN URDU		2,050
LAHORE JANG IN		
URDU		3,380
RAWALPINDI HAIDAR IN		
URDU		1,620
RAWALPINDI THE PAKISTAN TIMES		
IN ENGLISH		3,200

QATAR

DOHA DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	1,690	
DOHA TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
DOHA QNA IN		
ARABIC		7,660

SAUDI ARABIA

JEDDAH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	2,480	
RIYADH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	7,670	
RIYADH TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	360	
RIYADH TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	
RIYADH SPA IN		
ARABIC		7,230
AL-DAMMAM AL-YAWM IN		
ARABIC		-0-
JEDDAH AL-MADINAH IN		
ARABIC		-0-
RIYADH AL-RIYAD IN		
ARABIC		1,240

SUDAN

OMDURMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
KHARTOUM SUNA IN		
ARABIC		1,190

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

MOSCOW IN PERSIAN TO		
IRAN	1,260	
BAKU INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
BAKU INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN AZERI	8,090	
DUSHANBE INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN UIGHUR	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN UZBEK	2,200	
YEREVAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN ARMENIAN	-0-	
ALMA-ATA DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN RUSSIAN	740	

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ASHKHABAD DOMESTIC SERVICE	330
IN RUSSIAN	
ASHKHABAD DOMESTIC SERVICE	-0-
IN TURKMEN	
BAKU DOMESTIC SERVICE	3,900
IN AZERI	
BAKU DOMESTIC SERVICE	-0-
IN RUSSIAN	
DUSHANBE DOMESTIC SERVICE	-0-
IN RUSSIAN	
TASHKENT DOMESTIC SERVICE	290
IN RUSSIAN	
TASHKENT DOMESTIC SERVICE	4,790
IN UZBEK	
YEREVAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	-0-
ARMENIAN	

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

ABU DHABI DOMESTIC SERVICE	4,620	
IN ARABIC		
DUBAYY DOMESTIC SERVICE	-0-	
IN ARABIC		
ABU DHABI WAM		6,400
IN ARABIC		
ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD		11,570
IN ARABIC		
ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD AL-USBU'I		6,140
IN ARABIC		
AL-SHARIDAH AL-KHALIJ		5,440
IN ARABIC		
DUBAYY AL-BAYAN		4,060
IN ARABIC		
DUBAYY KHALEEJ TIMES		4,760
IN ENGLISH		

UNITED KINGDOM

LONDON AL-MAJALIS	-0-
IN ARABIC	
LONDON ASGHAR AQA	-0-
IN PERSIAN	
LONDON KEYHAN IN	2,690
PERSIAN	

PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
OF YEMEN (PDRY)

ADEN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	77,240
ARABIC	
ADEN VOICE OF PALESTINE	-0-
IN ARABIC	
ADEN ANA IN	-0-
ARABIC	
ADEN ANA IN	200
ENGLISH	

YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC (YAR)

SANAA DOMESTIC SERVICE	10,650
IN ARABIC	
SANAA VOICE OF PALESTINE	2,530
IN ARABIC	
SANAA AL-THAWRAH	-0-
IN ARABIC	